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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

IN RE APPLICATION OF: *Morris et al.*

APPLICATION No.: 09/938,276

FILED: August 22, 2001

FOR: **TISSUE SURFACE TREATMENT APPARATUS AND METHOD**

EXAMINER: Rollins, R.

ART UNIT: 3739

CONF. No: 1933

**Transmittal**

Mail Stop Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P. O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

1. Transmitted herewith are the following:

- ☒ A Response under C.F. R. § 1.111
- ☒ A copy of the cited reference

2. Entity Status

- ☒ Small Entity Status (37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27) is proper for this case.

3. Conditional Petition for Extension of Time:

An Extension of Time is requested to provide for timely filing if necessary for timely filing of this transmittal and enclosures.

4. Provisional Fee Authorization

Please charge any underpayment in fees for timely filing of this transmittal and enclosures to Deposit Account No. 50-2207.

Respectfully submitted,  
Perkins Coie LLP

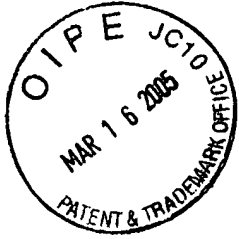
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In response to the Office action dated December 16, 2004 in the above-identified application, Applicants submit the following remarks.